

II. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 6-8, 10-18, 20, 21, 35-42, and 44-75 are pending in the application. Claims 15, 36, 39, 41, and 48 remain withdrawn. Claims 6-8, 10-14, 16-18, 20-21, 35, 37-38, 40, 42, 44-47, and 49-75 are under consideration. Claims 6, 44, 50, and 65 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. No claims have been added. No claims have been cancelled.

A. Summary of the Patent Office's Rejections

The Patent Office (sometimes referred to herein as "PTO") has made provisional rejections of certain claims in a Final Office Action dated February 3, 2011 (hereinafter "Office Action").

B. Nonstatutory Double Patenting

Claims 6, 44, 50, and 65 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as unpatentable over claims 28 and 39 of US copending Application No. 09/785,044.

C. Terminal Disclaimer Enclosed

Please find included with this paper a Terminal Disclaimer concerning the subject matter of claims 6, 44, 50, and 65.

III. CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, reconsideration of the claims is hereby requested, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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